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"He's with his mother in the parlor and just too miserable for anything," said Kitty, who, now that she could see for herself the preparation for a march, began to feel far more sympathy for her lover, if not actually to wish that she were a man and could go too. Ellis, quick to notice Ormsby's coming, had slipped back within the hall and partially closed the door. Glancing over her shoulder, she could see that her mother had left her reclining chair and was bending fondly over Will, smoothing his tumbled hair and striving to soothe and comfort him, but it was evident that Will was sorely hurt, for he turned away in irrepressible chagrin and distress and covered his face with his hands. Helen Daunton, forgetful for the moment of her own bitter trouble, had sought to aid her friend in consoling the boy, but it was her first experience in such a case. She had never realized what it meant to a proud and ambitious young soldier to be held in garrison when his comrades were being sent to the field, and, finding presently that she could be of little aid, she drew away toward the window to join the chaplain and his wife, who were gazing out upon the parade, when the stirring notes of adjutant's call came drifting through the hazy moonlight, and, with a groan that seemed to rise from the depths of his heart, poor Will threw himself face downward upon the sofa, utterly refusing to be comforted.

"Come," said the chaplain in a low tone, "they will be better left to themselves. Let us go out and see the troops form line," and, hastily quitting the parlor, they came suddenly upon Ellis lingering at the outer door.

Mr. Ormsby was saying goodby to Kitty," she nervously explained, "and I remained here for a moment. He is still there."

Yes, still there, although he had said adieu to his little sister, and the squadron was rapidly forming on the parade. Still there and looking now and then beyond Kitty's pretty, pathetic little face, clouded with a trouble altogether new to it. Still there, and longing for a sight of the face he loved as he did no other despite all its coldness and aversion. Then they came hurrying forth—the old dominie and his faithful helpmeet, the two young and beautiful women—and at sight of them Ormsby suddenly dismounted and passing the reins to his orderly ran nimbly up the steps and extended his hand. "Good night, chaplain—good night, Mrs. Ransom. We count on eating our Christmas dinner here despite the night march. Good night, Miss Farrar," he added gravely, gently. "We still hope to be here to wish you merry Christmas. Please extend my sympathies to Will. I know how hard it is for him to stay. Good night, Mrs. F—Mrs. Daunton," he stumbled on, and extended to her the hand which he had withheld from Ellis. "Oh, pardon me! Did Farrar give you a note I intrusted to him for you?"

"Not yet, Mr. Ormsby. He has hardly thought of anything but his grief at being retained here."

"Well, ask him for it before 10 o'clock. It"—and he was halting painfully now, for Ellis, withdrawing a pace from the group, was gazing straight into his face—"it—it explains itself. You'll understand it. Good night; good night, all. I must hurry." And with that he ran down the steps and out of the gate, mounted quickly, and without a backward glance rode quickly away to take his place by the colonel's side. Another moment and the adjutant, galloping out in front of the long line of horses, had presented the squadron to Major Wayne, and that distinguished officer, unexpectedly awake and lively, lost no time in preliminaries, but broke his command at once into column of fours, and with the band playing its joyous march music, and with old Fenton himself in the lead, away they went down the winding road to the flats to the east.

Once out of the garrison the band wheeled out of column and played the troopers by, then trotted back to unsaddle for the night. Men, women and children, the populace of Fort Frayne, gathered along the eastern edge of the plateau and silently, and in not a few cases tearfully, watched the column out of sight in the dim, ghostly light, and then little Trumpeter Meinecke came out from the guardhouse and trilled the martial curfew that sent them shivering homeward—an ominous Christmas eve tattoo.

CHAPTER XI.

Ten o'clock and no one yet came riding back from the column with later news. Almost as soon as the command had disappeared from view Mrs. Farrar had gone home, Helen, Ellis, Kitty and Will in close attendance, and there they were presently joined by Aunt Lucretia, whose wonted calmness even calamity seemed powerless to check, and then, to the relief of all the women, Captain Leale knocked and was promptly admitted.

"I am in search of my right hand man," said he, with his bright, cordial smile. "They tell me he is playing Achilles and sulking in his tent, but I have work for him to do," and then once more did Kitty look remonstrance, for she could form no idea of work for him that did not involve deprivation for her.

"You are not going to send Mr. Farrar away after all," she began, but Leale laughingly checked her.

"Far from it," said he. "I need him at the guardhouse and mean to put him in charge of the prisoners when they come in. The chances are that the colonel will have to arrest not a few of those fellows, and he'll do it in the interest of peace and good order, despite the fact that he has no warrant. Are you ready, sir?"

"I'm ready and willing to do any duty, Captain Leale," answered Will ruefully. "But I was the first to volunteer for that courier ride to Big Road, and I think the colonel ought to have given it to me. I'll be officer of the guard tomorrow anyhow, and would just as lief begin now. Shall I come at once?"

"Yes, the second relief goes on in a few minutes, and you would better inspect them. Everything is started right. You have a capital sergeant of the guard. I want the sentries on the north and east bluffs instructed to listen for all sounds from the east and to keep a close watch on that plain of Bunko Jim's. Watch every movement in that rowdy town over yonder. I suspect lives most of the population have already hidden away at the bidding of the so called cowboy king."

Will bent over and kissed his mother's forehead. "I'll get my sword and go at once," said he, "and I'll be back as soon as I've made the rounds of the second relief. I suppose nobody here means to turn in for an hour yet. We ought to have news of some kind before midnight." With that he quickly left the little parlor and, vaulting the low fence, let himself in at his own door in the adjoining bachelor mess. Mrs. Daunton, who had been occupying herself close to Mrs. Farrar, presently arose and stepped into the hallway, took a heavy wrap and noiselessly quitted the house. Surprised, Captain Leale looked about him for an explanation. Ellis had drawn aside the curtain and with pale, set face was gazing fixedly out upon the parade. Kitty looked bewildered. It was Mrs. Farrar who spoke.

"This has been a trying day for Helen. She is not strong, I fear, and tonight she is so nervous and unstrung that she seems to shrink from company or conversation. I have never known her so distracted. I fancy she wants to be alone a few minutes and to take the fresh air on the gallery." Ellis moved impatiently, but said not a word. She could see that, so far from having stopped on the gallery, Helen Daunton had hastened through the gate, and, turning to Will's quarters next door, was there awaiting his reappearance. The boy came out in a moment, his sword at his side and wrapping his cloak about him, and stepped short in evident surprise at sight of Mrs. Daunton.

Ellis was ill understood the purport of the conversation that ensued, though she could hear no word. Will snatched one pocket *after another*, then ran back into the house, came forth again in less than a minute, headed a square, white envelope to Mrs. Daunton, and, raising his forage cap in farewell, hastened away across the parade. Ashamed of her espionage, yet fascinated, Ellis lingered at the window and saw Helen tear open the envelope and draw forth a little packet or roll, which she closely inspected and rapidly counted over. Money! Treasury notes beyond question! Money, and paid for by Jack Ormsby! Ellis dropped the curtain and turned away. She cared to see no more.

Over at the guardhouse the second relief was being formed. Farrar reached the [illegible] in their fur caps and gloves and heavy winter overcoats and arctics. The corporal had just reported them all present, and the lieutenant quickly yet closely inspected their equipment, then stepped to the front again.

"In addition to the usual orders," said he, "Nos. 5 and 7 are cautioned to keep a sharp lookout and to listen attentively for anything at the eastward. In the event of any unusual sight or sound, call for the corporal at once. Who is No. 5?"

"Graice, sir," said the corporal.

The young officer's face darkened a bit. He had no trust in the man whatever and knew well his evil reputation. "Graice," said he, "you have double functions tonight. You have not only the same orders as Nos. 6 and 7, but the commanding officer directs that you keep a special watch over the settlement across the river, particularly of the plant of Bunko Jim. I believe you know it."

"There are plenty of others that know it as well," was the surly and unexpected answer.

"That will do, sir," was the stern rejoinder. "You were asked no questions and will keep silent until you are. Do you understand your instructions?"

"I am not deaf," was the sullen response.

"Answer my question, Graice," said Will, tingling with indignation, but keeping his temper. There was a moment's silence, then—

"I s'pose I do."

"There appears to be some doubt, however," said Farrar coolly. "Post your relief, corporal, and we will look

Handed a square, white envelope to Mrs. Daunton.

further after No. 5. Has that man been drinking again?" he turned and asked the silent sergeant, as the relief marched away.

"It's hard to say, sir. He's one of those steady soakers. It would be difficult to find him when he hadn't been drinking more or less. I think he has been drinking all day, but he knows what he's doing and is as sober as he is at any other time."

Farrar gazed doubtfully at the relief as it trudged away through the misty moonlight, shook his head in some dissatisfaction, then turned in at the doorway of the tower.

"I will look over the guardroom and cells," said he, "and visit sentries later," and, taking up his lantern, the sergeant followed.

A big stove burned brightly in the center of the guardroom, and the men of the third relief, sitting or sprawling about, sprang up and stood to attention as the officer looked in. Another stove, the mate to it, was burning almost at red heat in the general prison room across the hall. Here were confined some half dozen poor devils, the scapegraces of the command; some drink sodden and stupid, others merely reckless and "no'er do weel." Following the spirit of holiday decoration and never expecting the visit of an officer that night, one of the number, with a fine sense of humor, had induced a comrade to fetch him a parcel from the barracks, and now on the bare wooden wall opposite the entrance there hung a chromo with a flowery border and the pious sentiment, "God bless our happy home." While eyes caught it at the instant [illegible] with [illegible] rowdy town over yonder [illegible] lives most of the [illegible]

about the grimy room. "You'll have to search those men and that room," said he to the sergeant as they turned away. "There must be neither pipes, matches, nor anything with which they can start a fire. If this old rookery ever flames it will go like a flash. Do it at once. Any man in the cells?"

"None, sir, and none in the outer prison room."

"Keep the other empty, then. The chances are it'll be filled tomorrow when the column gets back. Remember the orders about fire."

"No man's like to forget that, lieutenant, with the powder stored there on the second floor."

"I know," answered Will gravely. "How much powder is there there?"

"Only a dozen cartridges for the revolver gun, sir, but that's enough to blow the place into flinders."

"There's no one in the light prison room on that floor?"

"No one, sir. That floor is empty. There's no fire up there at all."

Presently the tramp, tramp of martial feet was heard on the crunching snow, and officer and sergeant both stepped forth to receive the relief of sentries just taken off post. Once of them was Crow Knife. He gravely saluted as he passed his officer and placed his carbine in the arm rack, then went out on the east side of the little building and stood there, silent, listening for sounds from the distant east.

"May I have the lieutenant's permission to go out on the bluff awhile?" he asked, as Farrar came by him. "I can hear the call of the corporal if we are wanted for anything, and I am very anxious." And Will, who at first would have said no, saw the anxiety in the Indian's face and consented.

"Crow is strangely superstitious," said the sergeant, after a moment's silence. "He has been like that ever since he came on guard. He says the ghost dogs were howling the death song last night and that somebody's to get his death-blow tonight. We can't laugh him out of it."

Will turned away and watched the rapidly retreating form, growing dimmer every second. "I suppose he dreads trouble for his people, and this row makes him nervous," said he. "I'm going the rounds now, sergeant, and will leave you here in charge."

"It is just 10:30 now, sir. Shall we call off?"

"Aye, aye, let it go," was the answer as the young fellow stalked away in the direction of the stables. It was his purpose to take the sentry posts in inverse order, so as to visit first those on the eastern flank.

Without a break the watch cry went from man to man, No. 5 shouting a gruff, stentorian, "All's well!" that again directed the attention of the officer of the guard to his probable condition. The last sentry had called off and No. 1 had given, loud and prolonged, the final assurance that all along the chain was peace and security before Will reached the bottom of the slope and began his examination of the stables and corrals. The last thing he saw as he cast a backward glance northward along the snowy slope that terminated the plateau on its eastern side was the solitary figure of Crow Knife, standing mute, motionless and attentive, just at the upper end of the post of sentry on No. 6.

He was delayed unexpectedly among the stables, for one of the orderlies, in the absence of his troop and officers, had gone visiting among his associates in the adjoining building, and one or two spare horses were loose and roaming about the gangway. The next thing he heard of his sentries there were excited shouts for the corporal of the guard, and, hastening out into the night to ascertain the cause, he nearly collided with little Meinecke, the trumpeter.

"Lieutenant," cried the boy breathlessly, "Crow Knife's killed, sir. Stabbed to death!"

"My God!" moaned Will, as he hastened up the slope. "There's a curse on Christmastide at old Fort Frayne."

When 10, 20 minutes had passed away and Helen Daunton failed to return, Mrs. Farrar had become anxious and ill at ease. Leale, too, had been listening eagerly for her step on the porch without, and, unable to control his longing to see and speak with her, despite her palpable efforts to avoid him, he had early taken his leave and gone forth in search. Ellis, dipping from the parlor into the dining room, had thence managed to go to her own little chamber for a moment or two to herself. Whatever doubt remained as to the justice of her suspicions up to dinner time that evening, it was banished now, and her heart was hard against Ormsby that he should have so braved and deceived her. Looking out from her window she could see much of the walk in front of Officers' row, but not a sign of Helen Daunton. The clouds had thickened, the moonlight had grown dimmer all of a sudden. Once more the snow was sifting down. She could not dream where Helen had gone.

It was a desperate woman who stole silently out of the little army home and intercepted Lieutenant Farrar at the gate. In few words she made known her errand and asked for the note Mr. Ormsby had placed in his hand, and Will for the first time remembered it. He had stowed it in the pocket of the overcoat he was wearing as he returned with Ormsby from the colonel's and was compelled to run back indoors again to find it. Absorbed though he was in his own trouble, Will could not but remark how strange it seemed that his mother's companion should be seeking and Ormsby sending those mysterious notes at night. He made such explanation and excuse as he could, however, then hurried away.

With nervous fingers Helen counted over the money in the envelope. Two hundred dollars! Ormsby was indeed generous. Then, desperate, determined, thoughtless of the military crime she was about to urge upon her husband, thinking only of the dreadful menace his presence was to the friends who had harbored and sheltered her, she sped away up the row and, turning through the broad open space near the colonel's quarters, came out upon the snow covered brow of the heights overhanging the silent, icebound stream, and there, barely 100 feet away, the dim outlines of the huge, hulking figure could be seen. She knew it only too well—knew it at a glance. Grace was standing on post at the moment, listening apparently to some faint, distant sounds of mauldin revelry that rose from the unhallowed walls of Bunko Jim's, beyond the Platte. With one brief, muttered prayer to heaven for guidance and strength, she sped across the snowy expanse and was at his side before he could either halt or challenge. He never had time to speak before impetuously she began:

"Boyle Farrar, I must speak to you here and now. If your being here meant only danger and harm to me, you might do your worst, and I would bear it. You are under a false name. Your life has so changed you that as yet no one has recognized you, but it cannot last, and then there will be bitter shame and perhaps death that would lie at your door—your mother's; your poor, gentle mother's, who holds her life only through the belief that you are no longer [illegible] being further disgrace to your father's name."

But now he had partially recovered himself and angrily interrupted: "Is it my fault I'm here? Did I suppose of all cursed places they'd send me to it would be here, to be ordered about by my cub of a brother, to see my noble captain making love to my"—

"You dare not say it!" she cried.

"You've had some experience of what I dare, my lady, and one thing I dare and mean to do is to stick it out right here and take my chances at Fraynes. There's no other post where I'd find so many friends at court if things go wrong."

"You shall not stay here if I have to buy you to go," she cried, but she shrank even as she spoke, as though dreading a blow, for with uplifted hand he sprang to her side, then roughly, savagely, seized her slender wrist.

"Who are you to pose as guardian angel of the Farrars? Who are you to say 'shall' to me? Do you realize, my love, that your place in the army is not in officers' quarters, but down yonder in laundresses' alley? By the Lord, I've a mind"—

But here a dark shadow fell between him and the slender writhing object of his brutal rage, an iron grasp was laid in turn on the hand that so cruelly crushed the white wrist. A deep voice, eloquent with wrath, controlled, yet boiling, seemed to ring in his ears the two words, "Let go!" and then, releasing perforce his hold on the shrinking, startled woman, Grace writhed in furious effort to free himself from the clinch of Malcolm Leale, and writhed in vain.

"You've the devil's own grip," he savagely hissed through his grinding teeth.

"I've a grip, my man, that won't loosen till you are past doing further mischief here," was the stern, relentless answer. Then, uplifting his voice, Leale shouted for the corporal of the guard, and at the instant the cry went echoing over the posts of 6 and 7. The sentry still writhed in impotent rage. Finding his struggles futile, he once more lashed with his tongue.

"Don't be too sure of that, captain. There are some kinds of a hold even your grip can't loosen."

"No insolence. You go from here to the guardhouse as it is."

"D—n the guardhouse, and you, too," raged the soldier, hurling down the carbine. "If I'm to spend Christmas in limbo, I'm cursed if you shall spend it making love to my"— And here, with a tigerlike bound, his free hand brandishing a glistening knife, he lunged at the officer's throat. A lithe form had come leaping like a panther up the path, and even before Helen's cry had died away Crow Knife had hurled himself between the man and the shining blade was buried out of sight. There was a moment of furious struggle, and then the sentry lay, felled like an ox in his tracks, and Leale's foot was at his throat. The knife, blood stained, had dropped in the snow. The Indian, his hand pressed to his side, was swaying slowly back as the sergeant of the guard, with a brace of men, came running to the spot.

"Take this man to the guardhouse," was the brief, stern order, as they lifted Grace, stunned and sodden to his feet. Then the captain turned to Crow Knife. "Did that crazy brute strike you? Are you hurt?" he asked, in deep concern.

"Captain," said the Indian slowly. "I believe I'm killed."

Leale sprang to support him. Other men, running to the scene, linked their hands and made a chair and raised the poor fellow from the ground. "Carry him gently to the hospital, lads. I'll be with you in a moment," said Leale, and then he turned to where, trembling, terrified, Helen Daunton still stood as though powerless to move.

"Helen—Mrs. Daunton! First let me see you home. I ask no confidence, no explanation, but this is something in which I must help you. I have guessed the truth, have I not? That man is your brother?"

"My brother, Captain Leale? God pity me, that man is my husband!"

For a moment not another word was spoken. Leale had recoiled—staggered—as though struck a mortal blow. Then, in hoarse whisper, so choked and broken seemed his voice:

"Your husband! Your husband, Helen? Oh, my God! And I had thought you free to be loved, as I have learned—as you have taught me—to love you."

"Captain Leale," she cried, "in pity say you do not believe that. Oh, hear me! Do not turn from me," she implored, for in his misery he had averted his face. "You shall not think me so vile," she went on desperately. "I never knew until today that you had learned to—care for me. I thought all that had gone with my youth—oh, so long ago! I only asked of life a place where I could be useful and safe and where, by and by, perhaps I could forget. I have seemed to myself so old and dull and sad, so different from the women men love that I never dreamed it my duty to say I was not free. Oh, I thought you were my friend. My heart has been so heavy and so numbed! I have thought it dead since that Christmas eve four years ago. Ah, let me tell it to you, and you will understand. Four years ago this night my little sick baby woke and wailed with pain. That man, my husband, was in a drunken sleep on the floor. The baby's cry woke him. He swore a dreadful oath at the little weak, white thing in my arms and struck it hard across the mouth. I don't know what wild words I said to my husband, but I told him I would never see his face again. Then I caught my baby to my breast, and I ran and ran through the cold Christmas streets, and the stars went out, and the lights went out in the houses, and the little baby on my breast grew heavier and heavier, and by and by it was dawn, and, oh, so cruelly cold, and I—I opened the shawl and saw"— Here, overcome by the recollection, the poor woman covered her face in her hands and burst into wild sobbing.

And then the captain. "Helen, Helen, my poor, poor girl! Hush! I spoke like a brute, but I was his lord. I was your friend; I am your friend. It is late. You must go in. Take my cloak. You are shivering."

With that he turned and led her to the angle by the colonel's quarters, and there she looked up one instant into his sorrow stricken face. "Do not come further with me," she implored. "You have been so good to me," and, bowing to her will, he let her go, and stood, following her swiftly retreating form with his longing eyes. And then, soft and sweet and clear, as though rising above all surrounding of crime or sin or sorrow, there floated on the night the prolonged notes of the cavalry trumpet sounding the soldier lullaby, "Lights out."

"Lights out," murmured Leale. "Lights out. Ah, God help me! For life and love it is indeed lights out."

The next day Crow Knife died.

CHAPTER XII.

The long expected Christmas ball was in full swing, but the late comers entered snow covered and buffeted, for a howling blizzard was sweeping down from the gorges of the Rockies and whirling deep the drifts about the walls of old Fort

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Bradford, Pa., March 26, 1897.

NATIONAL APPEAL.

It is estimated that the government is losing three million dollars a week in revenue by the delay in the passage of the tariff bill. The people are losing ten times as much in work on account of the delay. We earnestly ask every one of our readers to immediately write a postal card to at least one member of the United States Senate at Washington, urging and demanding the immediate passage of a protective tariff law and such a law as will give adequate protection to American labor and American industries. Address your postal card to Hon. M. S. Quay, U. S. S., Washington, D. C.

THE many admirers of Samuel L. Clemens, "Mark Twain", will be pained to hear that he is in London, broken down in health and without funds.

LAST Tuesday the Senate at Harrisburg passed the Hamilton road bill with an appropriation of $500,000. It now remains to be seen what the Governor will do with the measure.

THOSE Democratic journals that are so incessantly kicking because the "advance agent of prosperity" has not come along at a rattling pace, should bear in mind that we are still under the act that the "consecrated knight of free trade" characterized as "party perfidy and dishonor."

THERE is a decided difference between the passage of the Wilson tariff bill and the present Dingley bill. During the passage of the former thousands of petitions, some of them containing a million and a quarter of names, were sent to Washington remonstrating against the passage of the measure. Now those that are sent are urging the quick passage of the Dingley bill.

ALMOST sixty years have elapsed since Elijah P. Lovejoy of Alton, Ill., gave up his life for daring to express his views, through the medium of the press, in opposition to the holding of persons in the bonds of slavery, contrary to the teaching that "all men are born free and equal", before the people of the nation erected a fitting monument to his bravery. Three times had the pro slavery element, near St. Louis, destroyed his printing establishment ere they took his life at Alton on the 7th day of November, 1837. But his heroic utterances ultimately brought forth fruit, for 26 years after his tragic death Abraham Lincoln signed the proclamation of emancipation which liberated forever almost 5,000,000 slaves, and to day a shaft of Quincy granite 90 feet high, surmounted by a figure of victory representing the triumph of the freedom of the press marks the important event. Mr. Lovejoy was the first martyr to the cause of the liberation of the poor Africans in America. He was born at Albion, Me., Nov. 8, and was murdered at the age of 35 years.

WHEN President McKinley issued the call for the extraordinary session of Congress he specified in the call that it was for the purpose of passing a tariff bill to raise a sufficient revenue to meet the expenses of the government, and aid in starting business operations that had been dormant owing to the depression caused by the passage of the Wilson-Gorman bill. The lower House of Congress promptly responded to the President's call, by passing the Dingley bill. Over two months have elapsed since the bill reached the Senate, yet, comparatively speaking, nothing has been accomplished. The call was for a special purpose and no other business could legitimately come before Congress until the matter in hand is disposed of. In spite of the rules governing legislative bodies, the Senate has managed to bring other business on the calendar to delay the passage of the tariff bill as much as possible—seemingly for no other purpose than to allow importers an opportunity to flood our markets with foreign manufactured goods, under the light import duties of the present tariff bill. As obstructionists the Senators are proving a success. Their only object seems to be to do nothing, simply dilly dally. It would be a blessing to the country if the President had the power to administer a good, sound spanking to the entire lot and send them home.

GOOD ADVICE TO YOUNG PEOPLE.

Many young men will shortly leave their old Alma Mater for the last time, where for the past four or six years they have been wrestling with Euclid or wandering with Prism, weeping with Helen or following Demosthenes in his wonderful Philippics.

In view of the fact that the majority of these young men have been sincere and devoted students and that they will come from college fully equipped with a vast store of knowledge to which their less fortunate brothers are strangers, it may not be uninteresting to inquire how they compare with the average student who has not had the opportunity of such a course. In general we believe in the course of study as prescribed by the schools and think it a difficult matter for anyone to attain any success without in a measure pursuing that course, but we cannot think a college education indispensable to success, and we do think it often injudicious.

It is argued in favor of the schools that Greek, Latin and higher mathematics so train the mind that the graduate finds it an easy matter to outstrip other competitors. The facts do not warrant the assertion. That it is a valuable mental discipline to study the form and construction of these languages, to see the relation of ideas as exhibited therein, and to feel the grandeur of their literature no one can deny, but that this is their chief recommendation cannot fail to strike a reasonable mind as a serious detriment. It is undoubtedly valuable to a painter or sculptor to have a thorough knowledge of the manners, customs and chief characteristics of a people to portray accurately their highest conceptions of life, to embody in his work their noblest ideals; but ought he therefore to spend years of study unearthing bygone poetry and forgotten ballad, ploughing through dusty volumes of history, romance and philosophy?

The knowledge of agriculture is undoubtedly valuable to the statesman, but we would not require a ten years' course in farming of every man who aspired to federal honors; we think there might be very poor laws at a very costly price. So we think with a college education. It has its place in the round of life for those who can afford it and for those whose aspirations require it. But how many young men are lured to the halls of a college hoping to find therein the realization of their fondest dreams, a glimmer of that promised land—success, and how quickly those dreams vanish when after years of honest toil they again pass out into the great highway to battle with the sterner realities of life.

Far be it from us to attempt a depreciation of a language or literature the richest and noblest in the world, that has survived the wreck of paganism, the dawn of Christianity, the assaults of the iconoclast and the incendiarism of Moslem hordes. These have survived because of their worth, hidden by pious hands in cave or convent during the stormy ages of revolution that wiped away many of the priceless treasures of ancient civilization, but because of their worth the more difficult is it to obtain anything like adequate compensation for a brief period devoted to their study, and the young man who has before him a life of business, either professional or mercantile, might better have devoted his time to less arduous and more beneficial attainments. A college course undoubtedly strengthens the mind, aids attention and develops concentration of power, but who would say the same object is not accomplished without going beyond the field of our own literature? We have in many respects the grandest of epics in Paradise Lost, Shakespeare is unequalled in any literature, Bacon and Locke are respectable reasoners and our historians have exhausted resources to paint in truth and simplicity the events of men.

Young men enter college with the mistaken idea that they can learn either Greek or Latin with the same ease that they can learn French or German, whereas, they can learn a half dozen modern languages in the same length of time that they can appreciate either of the others. There seems to be a halo around the language of Cicero and the poetry of Homer which even the goshdarndative American cannot shake off, for the lawyer, the physician and the pharmacist are still required to thumb the old grammars for their examination; but for what purpose they are driven through the endless inflection of nouns, verbs and adjectives we have never been able to learn. If it be to throw an air of learning about law or mystery about medicine, it is well-nigh time this senseless relic of the past were consigned to oblivion.

There is certainly no one who can appreciate the force of a Latin idiom who is not well grounded in the principles of that language, and whether it be in Blackstone or Materia Medica the student must get the idea from no English translation which is quite as accessible to one who has never seen a latin grammar as to one who has learned to conjugate amo.

The reasoning required in mathematics is highly important, but we should not forget that such reasoning is peculiarly confined to the exact sciences, and, though the scholar may be an expert in this line of work, he may be and often is the poorest of all reasoners in social and political problems. We can indeed lay a tariff 10 per cents and measure our profits to dollars, but we cannot so measure the abundance of nature nor the blights of famine. But a college education has commendable features aside from the mere mental discipline that it affords. The student lives with many people in many climes and ages. He has seen the rise and fall of nations, and has traced the cause of many revolutions. Proud and princely houses that have ruled for centuries sometimes in the arrogance of pride sometimes in the fear of despots, he has seen humbled with an utter humiliation, and in their places have risen the lowly, the ambitious, the strong. All these have given the student a large, varied, and in many respects an accomplished education. None will dispute the worth of such knowledge. It would grace the drawing room, dignify the laborer and ennoble its possessor in any sphere of life, but the majority of the young men have neither the time nor the means to afford such luxuries. Can a young man devote five years to this work, and can he afford the minimum expense of $300 per year? If he can, it may be a desirable course. That amount of learning which one can acquire in these branches in less than five years will be of little benefit. We know that some of the schoolmen say, if one cannot take the full course, take part of it; if one cannot spend four years in college spend one year. We also know there are people who are not over scrupulous about telling the truth. A smattering of these things is too absurd to require argument. If it be difficult to distinguish English synonyms, how much more so is it Latin, whose words from their paucity are used in a variety of meanings, or the Greek beyond all languages the most subtle in its distinctions.

The important question is, what is your aim? and after a thorough English education let all your labor be directed to that end. It is he who makes a study of his chosen work from earliest years who is the most successful man. Business men throughout are united in proclaiming the inability of the college graduate to meet the requirements of simple stations in the work a day world. They may be possessed of a large fund of Ciceronian Latin and Homeric verse; they may criticise Virgil and find more fiction than fact in Herodotus; they may also have acquired this at the sacrifice of a good English education.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, May 31, 1897.—President McKinley attended the Memorial Day ceremonies at Arlington cemetery where addresses were delivered by Representatives Dolliver of Iowa, and Hon. Webster Davis, Assistant Secretary of the Interior. Mr. Tracey Jeffords was orator of the day at the Soldier's Home Cemetery, and the address at the special services at the tomb of Gen. John A. Logan was delivered by Dr. J. S. Raub. At Congressional cemetery orations were delivered by Senator Cannon of Utah and Hon. J. A. Frear of Wisconsin, and President Lincoln's Gettysburg address was read by Capt. W. G. Pretsinger of the department of Texas G. A. R. At St. Elizabeth's cemetery Mr. T. J. Putnam was the orator. At Oak Hill cemetery the oration was by Representative W. H. King and at Harmony cemetery by Rev. Geo. W. Lee.

The Senate has made good progress in considering the tariff bill by paragraphs, and the rule adopted by the Republicans to have the steering committee agree each night upon the nature of the paragraphs that are to be voted upon the next day is working like a charm. The committee has been sustained in every vote taken by the solid Republican vote and in every instance has also been supported by some Populist or Democratic votes. The tendency of the steering committee has been to raise the duties above what they were in the amended bill reported to the Senate, and it now looks as though the bill would not differ very widely from the Dingley bill as passed by the House when it becomes a law.

There has been so much Republican objection to the increase of the tax on beer and to the proposed duty on tea that both may be struck out of the tariff bill and the revenue that they would have realized be provided for in some other way, probably by a tax on bank checks, deeds, mortgages and other conveyances, but this has not yet been fully determined upon; it is only being discussed.

Senator Aldrich, seeking for the sub committee that prepared the amendments to the Dingley bill, including the sugar schedule, in reply to Senator Tillman's sensational insinuation, made the most positive denial that the sub committee was influenced by the sugar trust or its agents, and stated that only one man outside of the three members of the sub committee (himself and Senators Allison and Platt of Conn.) knew what the contents of the sugar schedule were before the bill was reported to the Senate. That man was Senator Jones of Nevada, who is a member of the finance committee, having been originally put on the committee as a Republican and left on as a Populist, after his announcement that he had become a member of that party. Senator Aldrich also stated that the sub committee would welcome the most searching investigation of the manner in which the sugar schedule was prepared. The Senate will decide, probably this week, whether the Tillman resolution directing an investigation by a special committee of five Senators shall be adopted. It is probable that it will be, although nothing was accomplished by the other sugar investigation by the Senate three years ago, and the head of the sugar trust walked out of court last week on a verdict of "not guilty" when he was tried for contempt in refusing to answer questions asked by members of the Senate committee.

Senator Morgan made an exhibition of himself and was compelled to take his seat by Senator Gallinger, who was presiding over the Senate at the time. Mr. Morgan has a bad case of Reed on the brain. He violated one of the rules of the Senate by specifically referring to the other branch of Congress and its failure to act as Mr. Morgan thinks it ought to act upon legislation that has been acted upon by the Senate.

It is denied at the State department that the Sultan of Turkey has refused to receive Hon. Jas. B. Angell, formerly president of the University of Michigan, as U. S. Minister. The stories to that effect probably originated with those who are interested in having that very thing occur and who have been trying to fill the Turkish minister's mind with distrust of Mr. Angell, in order to bring it about. It is stated that Dr. Angell has engaged passage on a steamer which sails from New York June 11th and expects to start for Constantinople on that day.

Representative Lewis, James Hamilton Lewis he writes it, of the State of Washington, the man who had the temerity to attempt to help Jerry Simpson get periodically tumbled over by Speaker Reed, is about as near to being the "talking machine" he is called as any man who ever sat in either branch of Congress. Three hundred words a minute is about his gait. The House stenographers dread to see him start to talk.

Tossed on the Foaming Billows

You may never have been, but if you cross the Atlantic, no matter how smooth the ocean appears, without sea sickness you are well, a lucky voyager, that is all. Old tars who have spent their lives on the ocean waves, who were almost born, so to speak, with their "sea legs on," suffer now and then from sea sickness in very tempestuous weather. Sea capitains, bartels, commercial travelers and yatchsmen, say that there is no finer safeguard against nausea than Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, and it has been equally valuable in preventing and curing malaria, travel by steamboat and railroad, and who sometimes suffer as much in those conveyances as ocean travelers do in steamships. Biliousness, constipation, sick headache and disorders of the stomach caused by oppressive climatic influences or unwholesome or unaccustomed food or water, are speedily cured by the Bitters speedily. This popular medicine also remedies rheumatic, kidney and nervous disorders, and the infirmities incident to increasing years.

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"Why have special temperance teaching in the Sabbath schools?" is a question often asked. The answer is threefold: First, the necessity of such instruction is imperative in view of the fact, now generally admitted, that intemperance ungodlies and maltreats each succeeding year all around. We leave the children and youth in our sunday schools during their most susceptible years, when the tide of being is set either toward good or evil: third, it is of the utmost importance that those in the sunday schools understand the teachings of the word of God upon this subject. Intellectual knowledge is of little avail when unaccompanied by an educated and sensitive conscience. We must write, "thus saith the Lord," in lines so deep and enduring upon the hearts of our children that neither the sophistries of unbelief nor the power of sudden and fierce temptation can erase them.

Our teaching should be practical. We cannot afford to waste, in glittering generalities the time and strength that should be given to those things which concern the every-day life of the child, but must give them such instruction as will make them strong allies of God in the contest with evil.

The present age is one in which childhood is preeminently the study—I do not say among all classes but among advanced thinkers. What shall we do for the children is the great question that will greet the new century and in the issue of this question none are more deeply interested than the friends of temperance.

Life boats are exceedingly good when ships have gone to pieces on the rocks, but how much better the light-house that saves from wreck. It is blessed and Christ-like to send out our gospel temperance life boats to the rescue of the poor men and women who are struggling in the yearly billows of intemperance, but just as much more blessed, just as much more Christ-like is it to rear the light-house on this most deadly headland of our republic and save the boys and girls from being wrecked on the treacherous rocks of intemperance as the whose life is better than gold. Prevention is better than reformation, as construction is better than reconstruction.

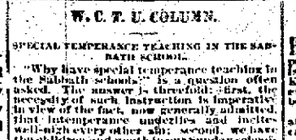
What then, wishes to rid the land of this great curse of intemperance can doubt that we have our legitimate field of labor in the child-heart of the world? In this warm luxuriant soil whatever is sown, yields an abounding harvest. We have seed given us to sow of which our fathers never dreamed.

Science and religion join hands in the temperance reform of the present day. The battle with intemperance fought in this nineteenth century is not a blind combat with the demon of drink for science is flashing light on those works of despair which so terrel so long ago—"Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise."

Let us strive most earnestly to improve the quarterly temperance Sabbath. The securing of these Sabbaths given specially to temperance was not an end, but rather a means to an end. To reach this end let the endeavor be to make them as interesting and profitable as possible. Have the singing in the Sunday school and all the other exercises bear directly upon the subject of temperance, and, if possible, upon that of the special temperance lesson. A black-board exercise, an appropriate recitation, or a five minute talk will help to emphasize the lesson. Distribute suitable temperance literature on these quarterly Sundays, and other times, among both teachers and scholars as in this way homes may be reached as well as the members of the Sabbath School.

The fourth Sunday in November is universal temperance Sunday and be sure to make much of it. On this day have Sunday school rallies, or mass-meetings, give positive Sunday school superintendents and children due place on the program. Circulate the pledge. Let each temperance sunday, and every Sunday, find God's people advancing against this great evil, the liquor traffic, and using every God-given weapon to destroy it, root and branch. This is the earnest prayer of the County Superintendent of Sunday school work for McKean county.

MRS. M. E. ROBERTSON.



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There is only one absolutely sure cure for these troubles, and that is

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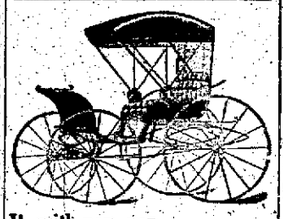

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SHERIFF'S SALES.

BY VIRTUE OF SUNDRY WRITS OF FIERI Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas, Alias Fieri Facias, Pluries Fieri Facias, issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, Pa., and to me directed, I will expose to public sale in the Court House, in the borough of Smethport, on

MONDAY, JUNE 7, 1897,

at 1 p. m., the following special pieces of property:

1.

Defendant's interest in all the following described real estate, viz: All that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the borough of Keating, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post in the south side of Maple street, being the northeast corner of lot No. 52 on Bayard street, laid out and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the south side of said street fifty (50) feet east of the northeast corner of land of Chauncey E. Huff; thence by the said south side of Bayard street 150 feet from the rear of Derby north seventy degrees east fifty (50) feet; thence at right angles thereto south twenty degrees east one hundred (100) feet to the south line of the first mentioned lot; thence by said line south seventy degrees west fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning. Containing ten thousand (10,000) square feet more or less. Improved and having thereon two one story frame dwelling house, one small board barn and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Michael Curtin at the suit of P. W. McKee.

Shaffer & Shaffer, plaintiff's attorneys.

2.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel or tract of land situate in the township of Bradford, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post in the west line of Maplewood Ave distant northerly two hundred and sixty (260) feet from an iron pin in the northwest corner of Maplewood Ave and Kane streets; thence westerly one hundred and twenty-five (125) feet to a point; thence northerly thirty (30) feet to a post; thence easterly one hundred and twenty-five (125) feet to a post in the west line of Maplewood Ave; thence southerly thirty (30) feet to the place of beginning, known as lot No. 8 of Maplewood addition to Bradford as mapped, surveyed and plotted by F. M. Webster, surveyor, 1896, said map being recorded in Recorder's office at Smethport, Penna., in Deed Book Vol 57, page 383, etc., on the 22nd day of July, 1896, and being the same land deeded to Neal Carmichael by Georgia V. Cornell and husband by deed dated November 2nd, 1896, and recorded in the Recorder's office in and for McKean county aforesaid in Deed Book Vol 57 at page 67, etc. Improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house and usual outbuildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Neil Carmichael at the suit of Mrs. P. H. Duncan, use of W. G. McNish, M. Sullivan, plaintiff's attorney.

3.

Defendant's interest in all that tract of land situate in the borough of Keating, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post in the north side of Maple street, being the northeast corner of lot No. 52 on Bayard street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post in the south side of Bayard street 66½ feet from the corner thereof and one hundred feet eastward of the northeast corner of Bayard and Hackett streets; thence by lot No. 82 north twenty degrees west one hundred and fifty (150) feet to the center of Mill street; thence along the center of Mill street 44 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 22 square rods more or less, and having thereon one two story frame house and small frame barn.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of W. H. Orchard at the suit of J. S. Fearns.

C. W. Catlin, plaintiff's attorney.

4.

Defendant's interest in all that certain lot, piece, parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the township of Bradford, county of McKean and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at a post being the southeast corner of a lot conveyed by William Wadsworth to the party of the first party thence north sixty-four (64) rods to a post the southeast corner of J. H. Shiels' land; thence by line of said land west fifty-six and thirty-three hundredths (56.33) rods to a post; thence south twenty-eight and five-tenths (28.5) rods to a post; thence west twenty-eight and fifty-seven hundredths (28.57) rods to the center of the public road; thence by said road south two (2) degrees west thirty-five and five-tenths (35.5) rods to the south line of the first mentioned lot; thence by said line east eighty-six and thirteen hundredths (86.13) rods to the place of beginning. Containing twenty-three (23) acres strict measure, be the same more or less, and being the same land conveyed to Michael Mulvaney by William L. Chrisman and wife by deed dated May 1st, 1876, and recorded in the Recorder's office in and for McKean county on January 15th, 1877, in Deed Book Vol. [illegible], page 210, etc. Excepting and reserving from the above described land however the following described pieces or lots of land, to-wit: One lot or piece of land containing fifty-nine and three-tenths (59.3) square perches more or less, deeded by Michael Mulvaney to Ellen Deming by deed dated May 8th, 1882, and recorded in the Recorder's office in and for McKean county May 8th, 1882, in Deed Book Vol. [illegible], page 339, etc. One lot or piece of land containing seventy-nine and two-tenths (79.2) square perches more or less, deeded by Michael Mulvaney to Mary Jane Dorson by deed dated June 3rd, 1882, and recorded in the Recorder's office in and for McKean county June 6th, 1882, in Deed Book Vol. 58, at page 30, etc., and one lot or piece of land containing forty and eight-tenths (40.8) square perches more or less, deeded by Michael Mulvaney to Alfred Fred-Verzina by deed dated June 3rd, 1882, and intended to be recorded. Mostly improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house with one and one-half story addition, one board barn, two small board sheds, a young orchard and well watered.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Michael Mulvaney at the suit of Wm. J. Dawson.

Plaintiff.

5.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the City of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to-wit: Commencing at an iron pin on the south side of State street two hundred and thirty-two (232) feet more or less from the west corner of Center street and at the northwest corner of lot conveyed to Edward McGuinness and Ethel L. McQuiston, his wife; thence south one hundred (100) feet; thence west twenty-five (25) feet; thence north one hundred (100) feet to State street; thence east along State street twenty-five (25) feet to the place of beginning. Containing twenty-five hundred (2500) square feet of land, and being part of the land conveyed to Augustus W. Newell by Daniel Kingsbury and wife by deed dated December 8th, A. D. 1881, and recorded in Recorder's office in said county of McKean. Together with all and singular the buildings, improvements, woods ways, rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and appurtenances to the same belonging. Improved and having thereon one two story frame dwelling house and a small barn or out-house.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Haney B. Pate at the suit of William Harris

W. J. Milliken, plaintiff's attorney.

J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa., May 19, 1897.

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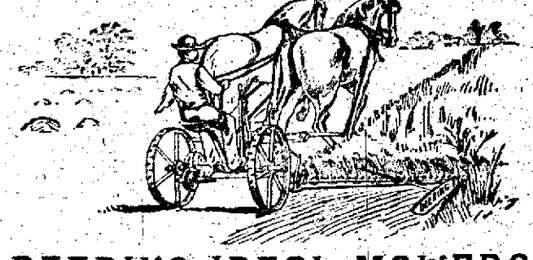

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With Ball and Roller Bearings.

They are the only Mowers that can be drawn at a slow walk or started without backing in any crop. The only Mowers with serrated ledger plates, perfect shear cutting knives with spring steel clips. The only Mowers with adjustable drag bar to keep the knife in line and protect the pitman.

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Spring tooth, spike tooth and disk harrow, farmer's favorite seed and fertilizer drills. This drill can be used for sowing fertilizer alone, or broadcast if preferred. In fertilizers we include dry wood ashes, lime sifted, and land plaster.

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The other departments are stocked in the usual up-to-date manner.

Call and examine.

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TO BE FOUND IN TOWN AT

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Spring and Summer Suits.

Leave your orders now for suits. The patterns this year are way above the average, and our tailoring department was never so complete. In addition to this we carry an unrivaled stock of

READY-MADE SUITS,

For all ages. Children's suits from $1.00 up. Prices that correspond with the times.

Call and we will convince you that there not a clothing house outside of the very large cities that will give you such real bargains.

H. W. Rubin & Co.,

The Clothiers,

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Successor to Mrs. T. D. Nash.

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Millinery Establishment,

I am, and hereafter will be, prepared to furnish the old customers of this store and as many new ones as may see the benefit to be derived by purchasing at this store a complete line of the latest and most fashionable

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A visit to my store will convince you.

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One trial will convince you that they are just what we represent them to be The very best material that we can buy is used. Remember the place.

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New Straw Mattings.

This popular floor covering is the best as well as the cheapest medium priced fabric for summer use. We have a line of China and Japan mattings from 16c to 25c up to 50c for the fine damask mattings.

The 25c and 30c qualities are extra good value for regular 30c and 35c goods.

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We carry a full stock of colors in wide and narrow goods and make a specialty of special orders and sizes. Get our prices before buying. Felt shades at 15c. Oil opaque shades 25c. Great value in heavy shades, fringed at 50c.

A large line of Oil Cloths and Linoleums in all widths. Special oil cloth at 21c worth 25c.

Chenille Draperies $2.98 worth $3.75.

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New Fish Nets and all kinds of curtains and curtain goods.

50 pieces new Velvets and Brussels just received.

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Many new things in Furniture—10 new parlor suites to-day. New couches, iron beds, dressers, etc.

We can furnish your house complete. Put us to the test.

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100 piece Dinner Sets for $9.00, $10.00 and $11.00.
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We carry a full line of plain white and decorated ware, such as Saucers, Plates, Platters, Baskets, Sauce Dishes, Bowls, Butter Dishes, Sugar Bowls, Cream Pitchers, Etc.

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Save money on Summer things. You find variety here. You find the right things here always. Yet you can buy cheaper here than anywhere you know of.

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50 styles of Sweet's cabs—the most durable of cabs. The only cabs with easy novelty springs, patent brakes and patent parasol holders. Rubber tired bicycle wheels. Your choice of fifty styles. $6.50 up.

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Every style of hammock that anyone has use for, and sold at remarkable prices.

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As low as $1.25.

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The very latest fads. Each set has four large studs and solid bar links for cuffs.

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Stylish leather belts with interchangeable harness buckles.

Leather in all shades.

Silk belts in plain colors or fancy plaids—all widths. Buckles of silver or gold, plain or enameled.

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Absolutely reliable hose. We warrant every piece. We have tested about all hose and have selected the best.

10 to 12 cts. per foot.

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Some of the best bargains ever offered around here.

Prices from $45 up.

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April 30, 1897.

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McKean County Miner

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SMETHPORT, FRIDAY, JUNE 4, 1897.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Sheriff Davis has 27 boarders.

—Regular term of court next Monday.

—Do not miss the ox roast on Independence Day.

—Smethport will celebrate the ever glorious in grand style.

—Girl wanted, apply at Mrs. H. C. Wells, Cemetery street.

—Look out for the advertisement of the Bradford races next week.

—Comrade Ryan has planted 100 bushels of potatoes on the county farm.

—A. E. Stickles, the Racket man, has a new and interesting adv. in this week's issue.

—Mrs. Frank Thomas of Bush Hill was a most agreeable caller at this office yesterday.

—Wm. Ramer has planted over 80 bushels of potatoes on his farm near the cemetery.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. S. McCarty of Olean are entertaining a fine boy who arrived last Saturday.

—Mrs. Anna Barrackman of Bradford was released from jail last Monday under the insolvent act.

—Young man, bring your best girl to Smethport Monday July 5. You will have a good time here.

—The childrens' chorus last Wednesday night was composed entirely of the pupils of Mrs. Mullette.

—It is clearly evident that a poor man stands a much better show for securing a divorce than a rich man.

—Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Emil Winterquist of East Smethport are entertaing a young son who arrived on Tuesday.

—Gennaro Dandreth and Miss Anna Tamimosone, of Glen Charles were granted a marriage license on Tuesday.

—Dr. Burg Chadwick of the Palace Pharmacy gives several reasons this week why you should patronize him.

—Found, a pair of gold rimmed eye glasses. The owner can have the same by calling on Mrs. Frank Kerns.

—Christy Denning was committed to jail last Tuesday by Squire C. C. Moses of Eldred, on the charge of larceny.

—Miss Mate Sartwell has been confined to the house for several days with inflammatory rheumatism, but is reported as improving.

—The special term of court which was called to convene last Monday was discontinued owing to the illness of one of the principal litigants.

—David Sweet of Bradford was committed to jail last Tuesday by Squire C. C. Moses of Eldred, on the charge of injuring a livery horse and damaging a buggy.

—Mrs. Fannie Sherwood has been confined to the house for some time, but is now able to be out again much to the pleasure of her many friends.

—William Jones, our enterprising butcher, is now a happy papa. His esteemed better half presented him with a fine girl baby Wednesday morning.

—See change in the time table of the B. B. & K. R. R. Supt J. C. McKenna is giving us excellent service on this road and is trying to improve it all the time.

—Grand Eminent Commander H. M. Van Zandt of the Grand Commandry of Pennsylvania has appointed Hon. C. L. Wheeler of Bradford one of his division commanders.

—Billy Black has painted his residence, west of Marvin street, near the track, a beautiful white and standing alone among its green surroundings it presents an attractive appearance.

—Last Thursday a young son of James Murray of Norwich, aged about 12 years, was bitten on the left cheek by a vicious horse, causing a very bad wound. Dr. Brown attended to the boy's injuries.

—F. D. Gallup has been busy for several days putting up telephone wires connecting the office and his residence, as well as the residences of J. W. Bouton and W. D. Gallup and the store of the latter.

—Three sheet posters have been issued from this office announcing the grand celebration to be held at Smethport July 5. The different advertising brigades are already busy posting them throughout the county.

—Leona, the 18-months-old daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Hogarth will undoubtedly prove to be a second Jenny Lind, as she can sing "Yankee Doodle" and "Marching Through Georgia" so as to be readily understood.

—A telegram announcing the death of Mrs. Howard Wilson at Port Allegany yesterday morning reached here last night.

—The following marriage licenses were granted this week: Robert H Watson of Oil City and Miss Florence A. White of Bradford township, Isadore H. Rosenberg of Buffalo and Miss Bessie Leroy of Bradford.

—We have no objection to Brother Herrick of the Ceres Mail clipping locals from the MINER without giving credit, but we do object to his giving credit to the McKean Democrat for it might offend Lindsley.

—Genia, daughter and only child of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbor Quimby of Gardeau, died Saturday, May 29, '97, aged 9 years and 5 months. The funeral was held at Gardeau and interment in St. Elizabeth's cemetery, Smethport at 10:30 a. m., Monday.

—The MINER is in receipt of an announcement of the marriage of Mr. C. A. Backer to Miss Grace Lillian Jones of Belleries, Mass., which took place Thursday of last week. The MINER tenders congratulations and hopes their married life may be all their fondest hopes can desire.

—Complaints have reached this office of a gang of boys going around at night ringing door bells, rapping on windows and otherwise disturbing peacefully inclined citizens. Boys, the MINER is your friend, and we are sorry to hear such reports from you. Be gentlemen, and stop such rowdyism.

—It is a painful duty to ask those who are indebted to the MINER to settle, but we have bills of our own to settle and must of a necessity ask those who are behind in their subscription, job work and and advertising to pay up. The amounts are small to you, but in the aggregate considerable to the MINER.

—Earthquake shocks were felt in many different sections of the country Monday afternoon. No serious damage was reported. Rev. J. Heber McCandless made the assertion Monday afternoon that there had been an earthquake, as he had felt the effects of one before any telegraphic news reached here from the outside.

—Complaints have reached this office that flowers and plants have lately been destroyed by children. The MINER would say to its many little friends that this kind of work will not be tolerated by the owners of the many lovely yards and gardens in town any longer. These flowers are raised for your enjoyment, but not to destroy.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday (Whitsun-Day), there will be celebrations of the Holy Eucharist at 7:30 a. m., and 10:30 a. m. Matins at 10 a. m., and Evensong at 8 p. m. Eyre's service will be sung at 10:30 a. m., and at Evensong the anthem will be the "Veni Creator," written by G. C. Martin, organist of St. Paul's cathedral, London.

—Mr. W. W. Tate sports a handsome matched pair of horses of the circus stripe. With his new wagon, which is being finished at the Wellsboro Carriage Factory, he will have a nobby and attractive turnout for a traveling salesman.—Wellsboro Gazette. Mr. Tate will soon make his appearance here again. He will supply his customers with cigars direct from his wagon.

—The residence of Mrs. G. A. Hyde, East Smethport, was discovered to be on fire shortly after 12 o'clock Wednesday. It is supposed to have caught by sparks from the mill. By prompt assistance of the mill hands the flames were quickly extinguished. The roof was slightly damaged and some damage by water amounting in all to about $50. No insurance.

—Blon Butler of the Pittsburg Times paid a high tribute to David Dennison of the Bradford Era and Tom McClellan of the Mt. Jewett Herald last week. Mr. Butler is a forcible writer and wields a pungent pen as well as being a good judge of human nature. The first-named gentlemen should highly appreciate the commendation of their abilities, coming as it does from such eminent authority.

—At Farmers Valley Memorial day was not forgotten. A few of the citizens gathered at the church at 10 a. m. and were favored with a song Miss Mattie Bennett and her father, entitled "They'd never march again." The company then repaired to the cemetery where flags were placed on 20 graves and then strewn with flowers. Rev. Bennett then made a short address and dismissed the gathering.

—Last Tuesday there was a poor cripple in town, his only means of locomotion being a tricycle, which he left for a short time in front of the court house. A couple of boys, who thought they would be very smart, removed the tires from the tricycle. These boys are known to us, and we hope they will never be guilty of such an ungentlemanly act again. If they do their names will appear to the public.

—Mrs. Anna McCready died at her home in Clermont last Friday at about 7:30 p. m., aged 50 years. The deceased was a native of Ireland. She leaves a husband and five children to mourn her departure, Mrs. E. S. McCarty of Olean, John, Mary, James and Anna residing at Clermont. A special train last Sunday brought the remains and many mourning friends to Smethport. The funeral services were held in St. Elizabeth's church. Interment at the Catholic cemetery.

—Kane is probably the liveliest town in the county at present. The crowds of people that throng the streets of that borough every evening would do credit to a much larger town. The enterprising citizens expect to pave Fraley street in the near future. It is reported that an effort will be made to induce President McKinley to be in attendance at the unveiling of the soldiers' monument in that place next September at which time the County Association, G.A.R., hold their annual reunion.

—There was quite a lively scrap on Water street last Saturday night in which Larry Scanlon of Colegrove and Peter Bronk were the main actors, with honors in favor of Bronk. Monday Bronk heard that there were others who had an aching void to test his pugilistic ability. He went down to the same old place and finding Jack Redmond there did him up to the queen's taste. It is reported that there is another who will be called upon to place his dukes in a defensive attitude before the redoubtable Peter. May victory continue to perch on his banner.

—The Allegany Citizen has the following rather remarkable bit of information concerning Queen Victoria's boyhood days: C. D. Wittee, the jeweler, is in possession of a curiosity in a pocket time piece that is well worth seeing. It is an English tumbling rod movement and is said to have been carried by Queen Victoria when she was a boy.—Little Valley Spy. That's all right, Brown. The good old soul was compelled to do all the courting while the bashful Albert hid his blushes as he stammeringly answered "Yes," to the momentous question. Of course she was a boy or at least acted the part of a boy.

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Decoration Day.

Last Saturday was the day set apart for paying a proper tribute to the nation's heroes, though owing to the threatening appearance of the weather it gave little promise of being a successful Memorial Day. But the rain held off and everything passed as scheduled. The members of the W. R. C., and many families were busy all the forenoon carrying flowers to the graves and decorating their dwellings with banners, flags and bunting. Main street presented a very attractive appearance.

At 1:30 Marshal B. F. Wright and aides commenced forming the parade at the corner of Main and Church streets. First in line came the band then the veterans, the hose boys and Odd Fellows followed by a carriage containing some of the old veterans who felt they were unable to endure the long march to the city of the dead and another carriage containing the President of the Day, Capt. E. R. Mayo and the Speaker, Hon. H. E. Shaffer of Kane made up the balance of the procession. When everything was ready the procession started down Main street the band playing a dirge.

When the cemetery was reached the Comrades gathered around the graves of their brothers in arms. Commander H. M. Choate read the exercises and Adjutant H. L. Burlingame read the prayer. Afterward a saunter was taken through the beautiful cemetery, and right here the MINER wishes to congratulate the committee in charge for the beautiful appearance it presented) many were heard to remark that they had never seen the grounds look so lovely. Flowers were strewn around in profusion and most beautifully arranged about the graves.

The march back to the court house was quiet and uneventful. At 3 o'clock the temple of justice was reached and the large court room was soon filled, all anxious to see more of the exercises.

President Mayo opened proceedings in his usual prompt manner. Rev. J. W. Sanborn lead in prayer. The band rendered an appropriate air. The Smethport Quartette composed of Dr. H. L. McCoy, Mrs. Carrie Reilly, Miss Agnes and Chas. McCoy, then sang one of the most beautiful and pathetic pieces that it has been our pleasure to listen to in a long time: "Who will tell the Story when the Soldier Boys are Gone?" Hon. H. E. Shaffer was then introduced and for about three-quarters of an hour kept his large audience very much interested in a discourse telling of important incidents that were instrumental in bringing on the war. The speaker brought out many interesting features that were a complete revelation to many of his hearers. Mr. Shaffer can always feel assured of having an attentive audience if he should speak here again, as he is a forcible speaker and carries the conviction to his hearers that he means what he says. At the close the entire audience united in singing America and this ended the exercises for the day.

A Pleasant Trip.

Last Thursday afternoon our esteemed townsman, A. B. Armstrong, called at the MINER office and kindly invited the MINER man to take a ride. His invitation was speedily accepted and entering his fine buggy to which was attached a beautiful animal we bowled along down the valley enjoying the fine sunshine and exhilerating air to its fullest extent. The farmers along the route were all busy putting in their spring crops and one thing was noticeable—several of them had seeders which clearly demonstrates that the farmers are striving to keep abreast of the times. Passing Farmers Valley we soon came to Mr. Armstrong's magnificent farm of 140 acres most of which is in a good state of cultivation.

Several large pieces of ground had been planted to corn, oats and potatoes and the work showed that it had been done by a master hand at the business. The grass was well advanced and showed a good sprinkling of clover. Chickens and turkeys were busily engaged in looking after their young of which there were great numbers. The stock on the farm, especially the dairy, showed that there was a man of brains at the helm, who would have nothing but the best blood on the market. A careful test is kept of the milk and butter each cow produces, and when a cow does not produce 300 lbs. of butter during the year she becomes a prey to the butcher. A fine lot of porkers were in a pen being prepared for the fall market.

The farm house we found a marvel of neatness, presided over by Mrs. Frank Vickery, who was very busy with her manifold duties, yet could spare a few moments to entertain her visitors. The barn was well constructed and kept in the neatest order and very clean. This was Mr. Frank Vickery's special pride and he is deserving of special credit for the manner in which it is conducted.

On the farm is kept a full blooded Jersey bull whose fine points it would be hard to excell anywhere. The calves and yearlings all looked fine and showed the pure blood from which they came. Mr. Armstrong will have another large barn erected this year and next summer he will erect a large silo. He has let a contract for clearing off 12 acres of ground which will be put into crops this season. There are many farmers in this section who would derive great benefit from a visit to this model farm. They would discover that when brains are united with muscle it pays to farm at this day when so many farmers are claiming that it does not pay.

James B. Benson.

Last Monday forenoon word reached here that Attorney James B. Benson had died the day before at his residence in Coudersport, aged about 34 years. The deceased was a son of Hon. Isaac Benson, who died some years ago. James was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, studied law in the office of Wayne McVeigh and was admitted to the bar in June, 1884. At the death of his father he fell heir to great wealth. Unfortunately through dissipation this great fortune has disappeared. Mr. Benson had the most brilliant prospects in life—well educated, of good address, fine physique, and of a genial and social disposition. He was always a favorite with all whom he met, but the demon of strong drink ruined all his bright prospects. He leaves a mother, a loving wife and three very bright little girls to mourn his departure.

Dr. D. R. Rothrock, of New Berlin, Pa., does not hesitate to recommend Chamberlain's medicines. He says: "I have handled them for a year or more in my pharmacy and find them safe and reliable. My customers praise them very highly." No one who is troubled with rheumatism can use Chamberlain's Pain Balm without praising it. The quick relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

Sympathy

is a good thing, but is does not go very far with a man whose property has been swept away on the wings of a tornado, cyclone or wind storm. In such cases a tornado policy in the Home Insurance Co., of New York, written by W. F. Specht, agent, is much more satisfactory and costs but a trifle. Get one. 20 3t

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Wednesday Evening's Concert.

The concert that has been looked for so long with such pleasant anticipation came off last Wednesday night and a most enjoyable affair it was from beginning to end.

The opening piece, "The Hunting Song," by a chorus of about 30 young girls, gave promise of a well prepared program. Their young voices blended well and the echo from behind the scenes gave an added charm to the occasion.

The Smethport Ladies' Quartette composed of Mrs. Mullette, the Misses Mame Dibble, Elida Wright and Rena Gallup, sang for their opening piece, "Welcome! Pretty Primrose," in a manner that was highly appreciated, their well cultivated voices blending harmoniously.

Miss Gertrude Hamilton, the famous pianist, then treated her listeners to a marvelous exhibition of skill showing a lightness of touch, combined with strength, rarely found in woman.

The Misses Wright Dibble and Gallup then favored the audience with two very beautiful pieces, "Like as a Father," and "Twilight."

Mrs. Mullette then sang "O Wio Fernando." It would be useless for us to attempt a description of its effects—it was simply grand. Her sweetly cultivated voice rising and falling, now low and sweet, then rich and full as showing the singer to be in full sympathy with the subject.

The children's chorus then sang "The Bell," and although well rendered, did not compare favorably with their first song.

Schubert's "Erl King," by Mrs. Mullette was the closing piece. In its rendition the singer entered most heartily into the feelings of the different characters. The anxious care of the father for his offspring, the pleading tones of the child for protection from the King, the sweet tones of the King, who idolized little children and strove to entice them to come to him, were clearly demonstrated by the singer as her rich, clear and bell-like tones rose and fell as each wave of emotion passed over the artist and she kept her audience in sympathy with this masterpiece of Schubert.

The MINER wishes to congratulate all who participated on their success. It was a musical treat well worthy of a much larger audience. May there be more to follow.

Looking Backward

W. H. Van Gorder, alias B. M. Van Gorder has been arrested in Cleveland, O, on the charge of stealing. Van Gorder originally came from Ohio. He married a young girl and brought her to Eldred this county, during the early oil excitement. In Eldred Van Gorder abused his wife shamefully. He conducted a hotel there and one night the building was mysteriously burned. The wife was compelled to fly from the brutal fellow and she went to Cleveland. "Van" followed her to that city and was arrested there on the charge of having burned his hotel in Eldred. The complaint against him was sent from the McKean county authorities. Van Gorder was brought back to McKean, tried and convicted for arson. His term of imprisonment would not have expired until 1899, but for some reason he was given his liberty before the term expired. Van Gorder could not behave himself, but again went to Cleveland and resumed his thieving operations. Again he is behind prison bars and will there remain for a long time. He has two wives living and is an all around tough man.—Wednesday's Era.

The Era is undoubtedly mistaken about the burning of the hotel at Eldred. On April 11, 1883, Van Gorder attempted to burn the Bennet House at Smethport, but it was discovered in time and the hose company put the fire out. On May 6, following, he made the second effort which proved successful and the famous old hotel with Haskell's store went up in smoke. Van Gorder had evidently looted the hotel before setting it on fire the second time, as he was arrested at Cleveland for disposing of silverware having the Bennet House mark on it. On May 29, 1883 a McKean county jury found him guilty of arson and the court sentenced him to 10 years at Allegheny.

Farmers' Institutes.

The County Board of Farmers' Institute Managers, will meet at the county commissioners' office on the second Tuesday of June, to arrange for the place where Institutes are to be held this season. All of our people who desire Institutes, ought to attend this meeting and present their claims. This board is composed of the Local Members of the State Board of Agriculture, and one representative from each County Agricultural Society, the Pomona Grange and County Alliances. If you find that you cannot attend this meeting, address a letter with your request to "Chairman of Board of Institute Managers," care of County Commissioners.

A suitable hall for the meeting ought to be provided, free of charge, by the locality wishing the Institute.

A. P. Smith has built a bicycle track at Crosby and the same will be opened to the public at 1:30 p. m. to-morrow. The length of the track is 10½ perches or three laps for one mile. All lovers of sport should take advantage of this opening. It

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RACKET.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. John Forrest visited Buffalo Tuesday.

J. C. Webb of Eldred was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. F. Wright visited Kenova friends Monday.

Miss Belle Abbey returned from Olean last Saturday.

Ray Young returned from Philadelphia Wednesday.

J. K. P. Hall of Ridgway was in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bouton visited Buffalo on Monday.

F. N. Taylor drove over from Gardeau last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Backer were in town over Sunday.

Miss Elida Wright returned from Fredonia on Sunday last.

Miss Lulu Keenan came home from Buffalo last Saturday.

Attorney E. L. Keenan visited the oil metropolis Tuesday.

Ned Ryan will graduate next Monday at the Carlisle Law School.

Arthur Bauer of Bradford visited B. F. Wright's family on Sunday.

Mrs. A. J. Warshofsky returned home from Rochester Wednesday.

Miss Maud Shoemaker returned to her duties at Buffalo last Friday.

Mrs James McGuier and daughter, Edith, went to Buffalo last Monday.

Squire O. P. Coon of Ceres was a guest at the Chautauqua Tuesday.

Frank McCord and Bart Shartz of Port Allegany were in town Sunday.

John Vanblad of Hazel Hurst was the guest of C. W. Lilgenthal over Sunday.

S. W. Smith of Port Allegany was transacting business in town Tuesday.

J. J. Roberts of Ceres was transacting business at the Court House Wednesday.

A. J. Warshofsky went to Rochester Monday to meet his esteemed better half.

Dr. F. C. Pierce and wife rode to Olean and back on their tandem Wednesday.

Geo. Rudolph, the hustling tailor of Clermont, was in town a short time Monday.

A. B. Hoey and John Markham of Kane were in town Monday transacting business.

Mrs. C. E. Barrett and daughter, Miss Carrie, were visiting Bradford friends Wednesday.

Mrs. Carrie G. Smith of Bradford was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Warley Gifford, over Sunday.

Dr. F. C. Pierce entertained his brother, E. W. Pierce and family, of Buffalo over Sunday.

James McCready of Clermont and son-in-law, E. S. McCarty of Olean were in town Monday.

Dr. F. N. Humphrey and John O'Conner of Mt. Alton transacted business in town Tuesday.

Allan Hamling of Buffalo has been the guest of his friend, F. G. Lindholm, a few days this week.

Mrs. Eugenia Hamlin and daughter, Miss Nettie, and Miss Harriett Redfield visited Buffalo Tuesday.

Mesdames W. F. Specht and Will Holder visited Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Waller at Larabee last Wednesday.

Mark Hardie, night operator on the B., R. & P. R'y at Alton, was a pleasant caller at this office on Tuesday.

Miss Eloise Gilbert of Machias, N. Y., spent a few days in town this week, the guest of Miss Verna Hafner.

John Carlson was home from Wellsboro and spent Sunday with his family, returning to Tioga county on Monday.

John Bahan, superintendent of the pump station at Colegrove, passed through town on his way to Bradford Tuesday.

C. M. Colegrove went to Kane Monday to run the dividing line of the Second ward making another election precinct.

Mesdames Henry Hamlin and J. Heiser McCandless left for Geneva, N. Y., yesterday to visit Mrs. Howard Merrill.

Mrs. Jennie Manson of Franklin, Pa., who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Herman Sause, returned to her home yesterday.

L. S. and T. N. Quimby of Coudersport and Wilbor Quimby and L. P. Fessenden of Gardeau were agreeable callers at this office Monday.

Miss M. Elizabeth Campbell, having closed a very successful term of school at Simpson, is spending her vacation with her parents at this place.

Judge and Mrs. T. A. Morrison and H. M. Choate went to Johnstown Monday to participate in the G. A. R. proceedings held there this week.

H. A. Boyd, J. L. Smith, W. P. Mulhern, Jno. L. Bayer, A. N. Schoff and J. Gillispie all of Clermont, were guests at the Central Sunday.

C. A. Dickinson and Phil Bacon spent Sunday and Monday on the placid waters of Lake Erie, enjoying the balmy air and baking some of the time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Harvey, J. S. McCarty and Jacob Amend all of Clermont were guests at the Wright House Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Richmond went to Buffalo Wednesday and from there Mrs. Richmond will go to her former home, London, Canada, to visit her parents.

Mrs. A. E. Stickles who is in Buffalo undergoing treatment is reported as very much improved and will soon be home, which is very cheering news to her family and friends.

J. E. Vanderbilt, a prominent lumberman from New City, N. Y., was the guest of Messrs. Holmes & Gilhilan, our hustling lumber merchants, the latter part of last week. Mr. Vanderbilt was entertained by visiting McKean county's hemlock wood-and catching trout.

Communicated.

ORMSBY, PA., May 31, 1897.

EDITOR MINER:—The remarks made by "wide awake" correspondent to the Bradford Herald of last Sunday, under the heading "Ormsby's Schools", are heartily sanctioned by the writer of this production who has had four weeks' experience in the work. We also agree with the citizens of Ormsby in saying that the schools have not been a success.

Parents, look into your own homes and consider the situation. What have you done towards making your schools a success? Have you considered the difficulties under which your teachers have labored during the past two or three years? Have you done anything to encourage them by teaching your children the importance of obedience in school? Have you made the attendance poor by allowing your children to spend time on the street when they should have been in school? Have you encouraged disobedience by listening to idle tales? If so you are in a great measure responsible for the very poor condition of your schools and for the public money that has been wasted on them.

Every school is composed of pupils who reflect the good or evil influences of the home. These things must be dealt with by teachers who struggle to set right the wrong. If opposed there must necessarily be a struggle between teacher, pupils and parents, which if continued will surely produce disastrous work.

Parents, do not be persuaded that your teachers use partiality. Remember that modern methods do not employ machinery to carry out the teaching process. Professional teachers know that all minds are not to be treated the same, and that a very good method for one pupil might not do at all for another. Have more faith in your teachers and believe that the school officials have acted wisely in securing them. Consult them concerning the work of your children and confide in them as you would in your family physician, then depend upon it you will bring blessings to your home, your schools and to your country.

MISS M. A. PATTISON.

"Last summer while attending court at Uniontown," says D. B. Patton, a prominent druggist of Fayette City, Pa., "three witnesses were suffering from diarrhoea. I gave each a dose of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and it gave immediate relief. On the way home one of my neighbors was taken with a severe cramp in the stomach and was suffering with intense pains. I gave him a dose of this remedy and within five minutes the pain had ceased. The remedy is a favorite here. I know of many who are never without it. I always take it with me when going away from home." For sale by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

CLERMONT.

The hose along Pine street was put to good use the other day. One of our townsmen got full of corn juice and made things hideous around him, but he was not long taking, by the situation when a stream of water was turned on him, and he at once commenced to look for his home. This is an excellent remedy for those who indulge too much in the juice, and it should be used on all such who impose upon the good people of our village.

Constable Squires had the misfortune to break his leg just above the ankle last Saturday. Dr. A. K. Korbin reduced the fracture and the patient is doing well.

Mrs. Eugene McCarty presented her husband with a little baby boy on Friday last. Both mother and child are doing well.

Mrs. James McCready died at her home in Clermont on Friday, May 28. She died from the effects of a rupture.

ANNIN CREEK.

The oil well is completed and abandoned as a duster. It was drilled to a depth of 1932 feet. There is a little gas and a good showing for oil in the third sand. Men of experience say that it would have been a good producer but for the salt water.

Jay Horton and wife of Allegany, N. Y., visited in this place over Sunday. Mrs. Horton will continue her visit here during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Perse went to Duke Centre Tuesday to attend the wedding of their son Earnest.

J. S. Hodges had business in Port Allegany Tuesday.

Rev. Langmade went to Olean Monday.

MT. ALTON.

I. T. Letlox is very low. The doctor has given him up and it is thought that he will not last very long.

Miss Kathryn McCartin is in Bradford visiting friends. She says her name is over in the paper.

Rev. Miller of Turtle Point has been in town for the past week, preaching part of the time.

S. S. Washburn has returned from a ten days' trip in Elk county.

Rev. J. H. Crocker has the measles.

Simpson School.

Commencement exercises of the Simpson Graded School were held on Saturday evening last. The members of the graduating class, George B. Manrow as class historian, Miss Julia Murphy as prophetess, and Chas. H. Shannon as essayist, acquitted themselves very creditably. The hall was beautifully decorated with the class colors, lavender and white, and literally packed with friends and patrons of the school. With a few, well chosen remarks the principal, Miss M. Elizabeth Campbell, presented the graduates with State diplomas.

The pupils of each room had prepared a surprise for their teachers, in the form of beautiful souvenir rings, which were presented at the close of the exercises. A farewell reception to the teachers occupied the remainder of the evening. Our schools have never before been so successfully conducted, and it is the earnest wish that both our teachers may return next year.

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...ing today," the girl ...ed upon an idea could ...ing baby laugh to ...Perhaps he will again. This ...

"Ah, oh, I am so happy!

"Baby is growing up so fast. ...he sudden tears gushed to her ...ld walk and grow so big ...

"And I am so unhappy!" ...—L. L. Kenyon in "The Quilting Bee."

A LESSON IN ECONOMICS.

A Young Woman Given a Young Man Some Valuable Tips.

Again it is a Washington girl.

This time she appears as an angel of economy to a young man who needs that kind of angelic administration about as much as any other young man in the Capital City, and she is just as successful as if she were trampling him under her emerald heel and making him feel how utterly helpless man is in conflict with the irresistible.

"By Jove," he was saying, "this sort of thing is simply intolerable!"

"What sort of thing?" she inquired, with admirable poise.

"Why, I have just had to pay a messenger 40 cents to deliver a note up town for me, and he was gone less than half an hour. It would be cheaper to have hired a cab and horse and driver, and still cheaper to have sent it by mail under a special delivery stamp."

"What was the note?" she asked, unmindful, before she thought.

"A response to an invitation to dinner."

"Forty cents is cheap for a good dinner," she smiled.

"But I couldn't go," he wailed. "It was a disappointment, and the 40 cents on top of that. Really, though, this messenger service is a rank imposition and should not be tolerated. Twenty-five cents an hour is ample, with short distances at 10 or 15 cents. The convenience is easily worth that, but more than that is plain extortion and the greed of monopolies."

"You have my sympathy. You are the more entitled to it because you don't seem to know any better. Now, why aren't you as bright as a man I know, who hasn't any more money than you have? When he has a note or a book to send to a girl, he doesn't waste 40 cents on a grinding monopoly —oh, that's what it is," she laughed, as she noted his look of surprise, "we have a call in our house, and I am compelled to use it sometimes—but he does a much better thing. He just adds 10 cents to his 40, slips around to the florist's, orders 50 cents' worth of violets sent to the girl, puts the note in with the flowers, and there you are. See? Only 10 cents out, and think how much he—for girls do love flowers, even 50 cents' worth."

The young man began gasping for air.

"Oh," she went right on, "if it is the season when flowers are more expensive than messenger service, just substitute candy for flowers. You can get something perfectly lovely for 60 cents, and do add a book or pleasant note to it unless it will worth the girl's kindest thought and your 20 cents extra. Now, is the plan clear to your stupid brain?"

Whether it was or not the young woman that very afternoon received a delightful note of thanks for valuable information, accompanied by a 50 cent bunch of violets from a well known florist.—Washington Star.

Preserve Meats.

Almost any dish which had to recommend it surely, costliness, indigestibility, and, to our way of thinking, inanition, was once to take with the Roman epicure. And if he were unable to make it costly any other way he would add powdered precious stones or gold dust.

Time dined on one occasion from a peacock which was sprinkled with diamond dust, and specimens of that bird dressed with gold or with crushed pearls were by no means a rarity at the tribunals of the moneyed Romans. A dish of peacocks' tongues was a great delicacy. But a dish of parrots' tongues which had been capable, when in their proper place, of framing words, was of almost incalculable value, which increased in a direct ratio with the vocabularies of the dishest parrots.

Another kind for which the Roman epicure was in the habit of paying fabulous prices was the phenicopterix, which is believed to have been the ptarmigan. It had its home in the most northerly parts of Scotland and Norway, and as this made it hard to get at the Romans appreciated it all the more and put it in the same rank with ostriches, mammoth and peacocks. The tongues of these birds were specially prepared, together with the brains, and took the place which a bon d'œuvre would now take.—New York Post.

Sanitary Point of View.

They were discussing the construction of a new govn.

"From a hygienic point of view and merely as a matter of health," suggested the dressmaker, "I think it should be made"—

The haughty beauty stopped her by a gesture.

"Hygienic point of view!" she exclaimed. "Matter of health! What has that to do with it? When I want health, I will go to a doctor. When I want styles, I come to you. We will now eliminate all absurdities and discuss this matter from a common sense standpoint. Will it be fashionable and becoming?"—Chicago Tribune.

"De man dat boasts uh his charity," said Uncle Ebon, "makes some folks envious. But he ain' on bad ez de man dat ain' got no sense fuh sometin, eben if he wanted ter."—Washington Star.

The man who has begun to live more closely within begins to live more closely without.—Sidney Brooks.

Mr. Charles M. Worrell of Sunbury, Pa., was so much pleased with a remedy that cured him of rheumatism that he sends affidavit to the fact for publication in full form: "This is to certify that on March 14th I walked into Motch's drug store on a pair of crutches, bought a bottle Chamberlain's Pain Balm for my inflammatory rheumatism, which had crippled me up. After using three bottles I am completely cured. I can cheerfully recommend it.

CHARLES H. WETZELL."

Sworn and subscribed to before me on April 20, 1896. Wm. or Motch, J. P.

Pain Balm is for sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by A. B. Armstrong & Co.

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Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "New Great Scotch-American Kidney Cure. This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its controlling promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water almost immediately, and at once. If you want prompt relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by A. B. Armstrong, Druggist, Smethport, Pa.

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FIGHT FOR A BIRDHOUSE.

Flycatchers Driven Out by Bluebirds. Wrens the Final Victors.

"One spring," said a lover of birds, "there came to a birdhouse in my garden a pair of great crested flycatchers. I had a dozen birdhouses scattered around. This particular one was about a foot square, with a peaked roof and a chimney at each end, a doorway for the birds to go in and out and a couple of auger holes bored through the back to give the house light and air.

"This birdhouse, the summer before, had been occupied by a pair of bluebirds, who had left their nest behind them. This nest the great crested flycatchers pulled apart and threw out of the house, every twig and straw. They cleaned the house out completely and then they brought in everything new and built a nest of their own and settled down comfortably for the summer.

"But in a few days a pair of bluebirds came along, and they made for this house. It might have been the same identical pair of bluebirds that occupied it the summer before. I don't know about that, though I have no doubt that robins and other birds that have been south for the winter, hundreds of miles away, do come back in the spring to the same places and to the same trees. Anyhow this pair of bluebirds wanted that birdhouse, and they were ready to fight for it, and that is what they did. The flycatcher is a nice little bird and a pretty plucky sort of a fighter, but not a match for the bluebird. They had a grand round up inside the house, and finally the bluebirds pitched the flycatchers out, and later they pitched out every stick of furniture that the flycatchers had brought in, cleaned the house out entirely and then brought in fresh material and built a new nest according to their own ideas, and they settled down for the summer.

"Well, a few days after that a pair of wrens came along, and they took a fancy to that particular birdhouse, too, and they sailed right in and tackled the bluebirds on the spot. You couldn't see the fight from the ground, but every now and then you could see a straw or a feather shoot out of the front door of the house. The bluebird is a good, sound fighter, but the wren is a better one, and the upshot was that the wrens fairly put the bluebirds out and took possession of the birdhouse themselves. And then the wrens did just what the others had done. They pitched out every scrap of stuff in the birdhouse—just tumbled it out of the door, to fall on the ground—and then they brought in new stuff and built a nest for themselves.

"Nobody molested the wrens. They staid there and raised their young there, and in the fall they all flew away and left the birdhouse again deserted for the winter."—New York Sun.

LADIES WHO STOLE.

Strange Tales Are Told of Our Ancestors of Washington's Time.

We naturally have a very exalted opinion of the aristocracy of our country and can scarcely be convinced that the ladies of society in the early days of independence conducted themselves in any but the most dignified manner. Indeed some of their descendants would feel highly elated to know that they in any wise resemble their supposed ancestors. It is to be hoped that they are not kin to the personages referred to in the following complaint:

One of our early statesmen actually complains that "between tippee beaux and fashionable belles an honest fellow will stand a good chance of being fleeced by the politest tissue of mistakes conceivable. The gentleman will help himself very genially to your hat if it is better than his, take up your umbrella with the most absent air imaginable, bear off your horse coat without once perceiving his mistake and pick up your gloves, 'thy solemn speech ne'er ends.'"

And now for the ladies' part in this proceeding:

"The lady will borrow your penknife, very accidentally put your pocket handkerchief into her muff or playfully take your ring from your finger or trump from your hand, and as blandly assure you that it was the very thing you could wish for, so that between lady and gentleman you will stand a good chance of being mined out, stripped of all your possessions, according to the newest rules of etiquette."—Philadelphia Press.

Kipling's Famous Poem.

It is the sentiment, says Arlo Bates in The Atlantic, and not the object which arouses sympathy and kindles the imagination. No mistake could be more complete than to suppose that in this poem is to be found any argument in favor of the use of machinery as material for poetry. In "McAndrew's Hymn" it is the character of the staunch old engineer and his feelings by which the reader is moved. The wonders of the great engine are a hindrance, and not a help, if they are looked at in any way other than through the eyes of McAndrew. The piece succeeds or fails to the degree in which it makes his emotion real and contagious to the reader, and that, too, as emotion pure and simple, quite without regard to what has excited it. In so far as the attention is caught by tabled, crank throws, feeding pump and "purrin dynamos"—finely suggestive as is the epithet in this last—the emotional effect is weakened at the expense of the intellectual.

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Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS OF ADMINISTRATORS, Executors and Guardians have been filed in the office of the Register of Wills, the same will be presented for confirmation at the Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport, in and for the county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, on the first Monday of June, A. D. 1897.

First and final account of John Forrest, executor of the last will and testament of Agnes King, deceased.

First and final account of Sheridan Gorton, administrator of the estate of L. W. Mason, deceased.

First and final account of A. W. Peterson, administrator of A. B. of the estate of Charles J. Bengtson, deceased.

First and final account of Delmont F. Haven, administrator of the estate of Eunice M. Haven, deceased.

First and final account of Edward Tanner, administrator of the estate of John J. Bauer, deceased.

First and partial account of Joseph Field and W. H. Field, administrators of the estate of William Field, deceased.

First and final account of R. J. Fowler, administrator, c. t. a. of the estate of Anson R. Fowler, deceased.

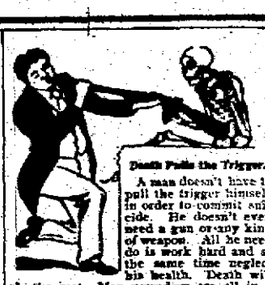
First and final account of Ida A. Blackmore, (now Douglass) administratrix of the estate of Edward H. Blackmore, deceased.

First and final account of Clinton L. Irons, administrator of the estate of Harriet Irons, deceased.

First and final account of Joseph Minich, guardian of Rena Lawson, minor child of Henry Lawson, deceased.

First and final account of Sherman Tibbits, who is the successor of Dr. Abner Griffith, late of Umbria county, Pennsylvania, deceased, who was late guardian of William T., Mary J. and Annie M. Griffith, minor children of J. T. Griffith, deceased.

GEO. W. MITCHELL, Register.
R. C. OSWALT, Deputy.
Smethport, Pa., May 24, 1897.



Death Pulls the Trigger.

A man doesn't have to pull the trigger himself in order to commit suicide. He doesn't even need a gun or any kind of weapon. All he need do is work hard and at the same time neglect his health. Death will do the rest. Men nowadays are all in a hurry. They bolt their food, and get indigestion and torpid liver. The blood gets impure. When the blood is impure, sooner or later something will "smash." The smash will be at the weakest and most overworked point. In a marshy country it will probably be malarial and chills. A working man will probably have a bilious attack. A clerk or bookkeeper will have deadly consumption. A business, or professional man, nervous prostration or exhaustion.

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Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 100, June Term, 1895.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Mina C. Byers by her next friend, John Miller, did, on the 5th day of March, 1895, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Zachery T. Byers.

We therefore command you, the said Zachery T. Byers, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Mina C. Byers, and show cause, if any you have, why the said Mina C. Byers, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
Sheridan Gorton, Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., May 10, 1897.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 32, December Term, 1896.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania, to the sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Harry B. Newell did, on the 5th day of October, 1896, prefer his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Alice Newell.

We therefore command you, the said Alice Newell, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the first Monday of June next, to answer the petition or libel of Harry B. Newell and show cause, if any you have, why the said Harry B. Newell, your husband, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
F. W. Hastings, Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., May 18, 1897.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 129, December Term, 1896.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss:—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Myrta Knieben did on the 9th day of November 1896, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Frederick Knieben.

We therefore command you, the said Frederick Knieben, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the county of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Myrta Knieben and show cause, if any you have, why the said Myrta Knieben, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
F. W. Hastings, Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., May 10, 1897.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 33, December Term, 1896.

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONwealth of Pennsylvania to the Sheriff of said county, greeting:

Whereas, Emma J. King did, on the 5th day of October, 1896, prefer her petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said County, praying for the causes therein set forth she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, T. B. King.

We therefore command you, the said T. B. King, that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever, you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the first Monday of June next to answer the petition or libel of Emma J. King and show cause, if any you have, why the said Emma J. King, your wife, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Herein fail not.

A true copy. J. F. DAVIS, Sheriff.
Benson & Hastings, Libellant's Attorneys.
Smethport, Pa., May 18, 1897.

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Trains leave Smethport for Larrabee, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

Buffalo Express, daily except Sunday, 6:45 a. m.
Buffalo Mail, daily except Sunday, 1:30 p. m.
Local for Olean, daily except Sunday, 7:30 p. m.
*Train leaving Smethport 2:30 p. m. connects at Olean with Rivers Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.
For Clermont, and points south:
Clermont Local, daily except Sunday, 8:30 a. m.
Clermont Accom daily except Sunday, 5:30 p. m.
Clermont Accom daily except Sunday, 7:30 a. m.
*Clermont Local connects through to Kane.
For Larrabee, Port Allegany, Olean and points south:
Mail, daily except Sunday, 8:30 a. m.
Mail, daily except Sunday, connects at Emporium for Philadelphia, 5:30 p. m.

Get Time Tables giving full information of A. E. WORMER, Ticket Agent, Smethport, Pa.
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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION.
TIME TABLE in effect May 3, 1897.
TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION:
EASTWARD.

8:25 a. m.—Train 5, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington, 7:25 p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

3:37 p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 4:30 a. m., New York 7:25 a. m., Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and New York. Passengers can remain in sleeping car undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

7:07 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:52 a. m., New York 9:50 a. m. week days (10:36 a. m. Sundays), Baltimore 6:30 a. m., Washington 7:40 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and passenger cars from Philadelphia, and Williamsport to New York. Passengers in sleeper for Baltimore and Washington will be transferred into Washington sleeper at Harrisburg.

WESTWARD.

7:55 a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday, for Kane, Midway, DuBois Clermont and intermediate stations, leaves Ridgway 8:45 p. m. for Kane.

10:10 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

6:32 p. m.—Train 15 daily except Sunday, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS for EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train 1 (leaves Renovo 6:00 a. m., daily except Sunday, arrives at Emporium 8:10 a. m.)

Train 15 leaves Philadelphia 8:35 a. m., Washington 7:50 a. m., Baltimore 9:20 a. m., Harrisburg 10:55 a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction 6:20 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia, Williamsport and passenger coaches to Erie.

Train 5, leaves New York 7:25 a. m., Philadelphia 11:20 a. m., Washington 10:50 a. m., Baltimore 11:05 p. m., daily arriving at Emporium June. 10:35 a.m., with Pullman sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.
Daily except Sunday.

MONTH	STATIONS.	MONTH
A. M. Lv.		Ar. P. M.
9 16	Ridgway	3 30
9 31	Johnsonburg	3 15
9 44	Hendrics	3 02
9 50	Glen Hazel	2 56
10 01	Straight	2 45
10 08	Instanter	2 38
10 13	Smith's Run	2 33
10 22	Woodvale	2 24
10 50	Clermont	1 55

Connections are made with train 1, leaving Johnsonburg at 8:30 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 5:05 p. m., also at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at 2:35 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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On and after Aug. 10, 1896, passenger trains Between, Buffalo, Rochester, Salamanca, Bradford, Ridgway, Dubois, Punxsutawney and the Grand Lumber Region and Driftwood will leave Era Hard and Mt. Jewett daily except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND.

7:45 a. m.—Buffalo & Rochester Express—For Salamanca, Kittanning, Springville, Golden, Buffalo, Machias, Gainesville, Silver Springs, Warsaw, Letchworth, Lero